

2004 Training Conference Call for Posters and Technical Papers

Action Required by: April 5, 2004

The Natural Resources Committee of the National Organization of Professional NRCS Employees (NOPHNRCSE) is calling for posters and technical papers for our next training conference to be held June 22-24, 2004 in Sacramento, California. The Conference theme is "Bringing Diversity to the Nation's Conservation Needs." If you have been working on an innovative project or unique ways to outreach minority customers, please consider presenting a poster or a technical paper.

The selected presenters may attend at government time and expense, with approval from supervisor. If you are interested in presenting a technical paper or a poster, please review the following instructions for submitting proposals and take part in the 2004 NOPHNRCSE Annual Training Conference.

You may participate in one of two ways:

1. Oral Concurrent Presentations

Oral concurrent sessions will take place during this training conference. These presentations are opportunities to share the results of an outreach effort, conservation research projects, and/or lessons learned through professional experience with conservation projects, programs, and technologies. Each presenter will be 20 minutes to make the presentation and 5 to 10 minutes for questions and answers for a total of 30 minutes per presentation.

Please Note: The Natural Resources Committee will carefully review all submissions. To the extent possible, submissions not selected for oral presentations will be reviewed for presentation as posters.

2. Poster Presentations

Posters will be on display from Monday afternoon through Thursday afternoon. Presenters will be required to be at their display booths at specific times (to be determined) during which presenters will answer questions and explain their experiences and results to conference attendees. A poster presentation entails affixing printed materials (typed information, photos, graphs, etc.) to a poster/display board. Audiovisual equipment might be used but it will not be permitted to be the sole content of the poster presentation.

Timeline

- April 5, 2004 Deadline for submitting paper/poster abstracts
- April 9, 2004 Acceptance letters will be mailed out.

Instructions for Submitting Proposals

- 1. Proposals may be submitted in one of the following ways:
- Email to: <u>Juan.Hernandez@wi.usda.gov</u>
- Fax to: (920) 424-0341, attention: Juan Hernández
- Mail to: Juan C. Hernández
 - USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service
 - 625 County Road Y
 - Oshkosh, WI 54901-9624
- 2. Information required for paper and/or poster presentations include:
- 3. Title of presentation
- 4. Presenter's name, affiliation, address, phone, fax, and email
- 5. Contact person (if different from presenter) phone and email
- 6. Abstract of 200 words or less

For questions please contact Juan Hernández at (920) 424-0329, extension 101, or via email at <u>Juan.Hernandez@wi.usda.gov</u>.